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Anaerobic Digestion For Livestock

Waste Management & Energy Programs

Funding Assistance and Other Incentives

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of rural communities.

RBS Mission

“To enhance the quality of life for all rural Americans by providing leadership in building competitive businesses and sustainable cooperatives that can prosper in the global marketplace. RBS accomplishes this mission by investing its financial resources and technical assistance in businesses, cooperatives, and communities and by building partnerships that leverage public, private, and cooperative resources to stimulate rural economic activity.”



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Farm Bill - Energy Title

Section 9006 – Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements Program

Renewable Energy:

Biomass

Geothermal

Hydrogen

Solar

Wind



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Farm Bill - Energy Title

Section 9006 – Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements Program

- Establishes a grant, loan, and loan guarantee program to assist eligible farmers, ranchers, and rural small businesses in purchasing renewable energy systems and for making energy efficiency improvements.*



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General Provisions

- *Grant amount not to exceed 25 percent of activity funded.*
- *Combined loan/grant not to exceed 50 percent of cost of activity funded.*



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Partnering for America's Future
USDA

Rural Development

Farm Services Agency

Natural Resource and Conservation Service

Forest Service

Department of Energy

Environmental Protection Agency



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USDA/DOE/NREL Interagency Agreement

Support of USDA's Implementation of Section 9006

Provide Technical Assistance for :

Program Awards

Regulation Development

Outreach

Evaluation of Program Activities



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Funding Availability

Fiscal Years 2003-2007

\$23 Million per year



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Section 9006 Funding Activity FY 03

Renewable Energy - Number and Dollar Amounts Awarded:

Biomass 47 \$11,500,000

Wind 35 \$7,400,000

Solar 6 \$700,000

Hybrid 2 \$600,000

Totals 90 \$20,200,000

Energy Efficiency Improvements: 24 - \$1,500,000



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Section 9006 – FY 04

Funding

- *\$22.9 Million of Discretionary Funds*
- *Notice of Funding Availability (Grant Only)*



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RBS Programs

Bioenergy/Biomass Activity FY 01, 02 and 03

Number and Dollar Amounts Awarded:

<i>B&I</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>\$32.3M</i>
<i>RBEG</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>0.995M</i>
<i>RBOG</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>0.185M</i>
<i>REDLG</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1.65M</i>
<i>VAPG</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>13.9M</i>
<i>Energy</i>	<i><u>114</u></i>	<i><u>21.7M</u></i>
<i>Totals</i>	<i>205</i>	<i>\$70.53M</i>



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Program Delivery

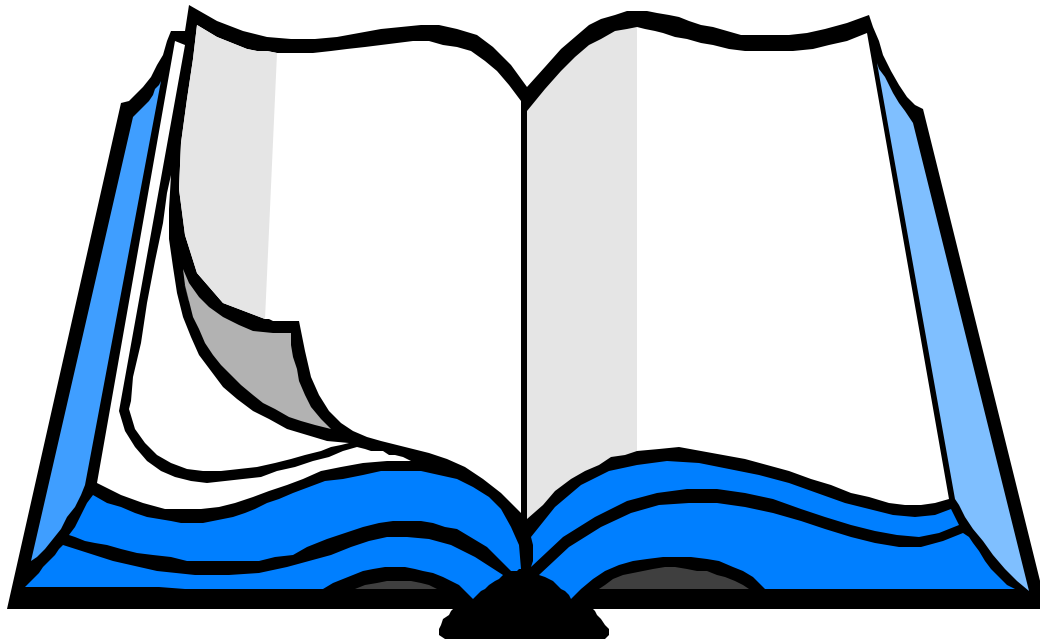


- *National Office*
- *State Office*
- *Area / Local Offices*



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How to Learn More About Business Programs



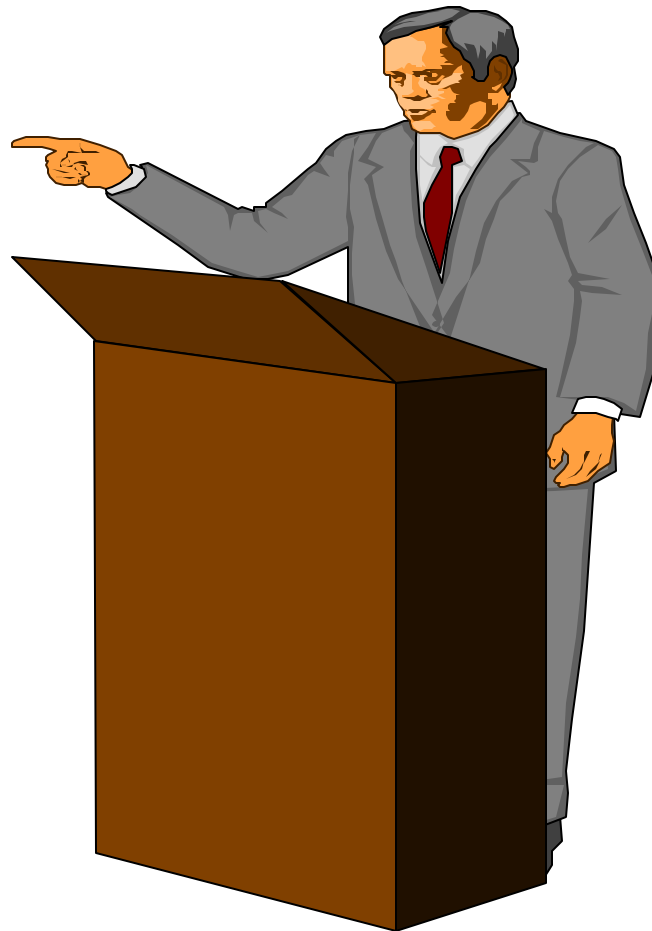
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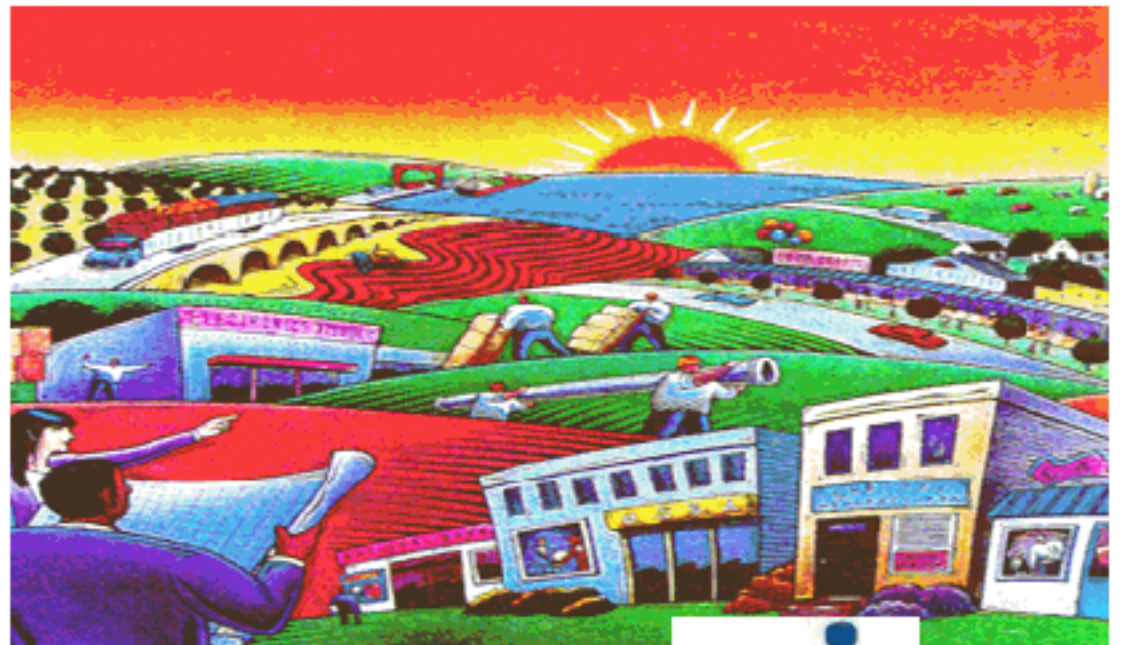
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QUESTIONS



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